

Some State Happenings

Florida Items Gathered from Our Exchanges.

The big buck deer of the Ocala zoo severely bruised up Chief Hamp Chambers, of that city, who was trying to prevent its escape.

E. H. Waters, of Gainesville, having been fined \$12.50 for selling near beer, and the license having been raised to \$200, he paid the fine and quit the business, until business gets better.

Quarreling in a game of skin over five cents George Cobb shot and killed William Allen, both negroes, at Williams' turpentine camp, near Armstrong, Friday night. Cobb escaped.

The Waukeena watermelon seed crop has been gathered and the growers say it beats cotton, as they get two crops a year with less work and expense. The seed are in great demand for making patent kidney medicine.

While riding on a street car in Jacksonville with her elbow protruding from a window Mrs. M. C. Fisk, a resident of Jacksonville, was struck by a passing car, causing a severe fracture of the bone. Careless track laying.

The military ordinance, granting the National Guard Association of Jacksonville the right to use the streets of the city for a military carnival one week during the month of November, 1909, was passed unanimously by the council.

Much regret is felt over the death of Dr. B. C. Bondurant, a member of the faculty of the Florida College for Women. He was afflicted with tuberculosis and went to Arizona and Texas for his health, returning a short time ago to Asheville, where he died.

A little circular purported to have been issued by the Half Million Club and which told in startling figures of "typhoid and malaria made in Jacksonville," has caused indignation there and an effort is being made to have the perpetrators up for misuse of the mails.

Naval stores men are wearing a broad smile now for the first time in two years, says the Palatka News. Spirits of turpentine is now quoted at 55 cents with the prospect of going to 60 cents. These men haven't made any money for some time and were growing despondent, but now the sun shines in the woods.

John Williams was very seriously injured by a wild boar on Tuesday near Haw creek. After capturing the boar and taking it in his arms to carry it to the wagon the hog threw its head round sinking a long tusk into the man's breast, the tusk tearing through the flesh as the hog was dropped. Owing to the time elapsing before the man reached a doctor he is in a serious condition.—DeLand News.

The United States has ordered a preliminary survey made of a ship canal across the State of Florida from the Atlantic to the Gulf and the corps of engineers who are to make the survey was organized in the U. S. Engineers' office at Jacksonville on the 25th and placed in charge of Engineer Harry L. Fisher. Engineer Fisher and his assistants have already begun work, starting from the mouth of the Ocklawaha river and reaching Green Cove Springs by the night of the 29th.

President Taft has commuted the sentences of three owners of the Jackson Lumber Company, near Pensacola, who was convicted three years ago of a conspiracy to commit peonage, from three years to six months, and they will be sent to the federal prison at Atlanta. The men are W. S. Harlan, manager; S. E. Huggins, C. C. Hilton, Dr. Grace and C. Gallagher. Harlan, who is a nephew of U. S. Supreme Court Justice Harlan, is one of the wealthiest and most prominent lumber men in the South, but was none too good to coerce poor laborers, it seems. Being rich the fines and imprisonment will not cause the burden poor men would suffer.

In the national state match held on the Camp Perry, Ohio, range, during the early part of last week, the Florida rifle team finished in 41st place, there being 48 teams in the contest. The total score of the Florida boys was 3,246 points. In the match of 1907 Florida finished in 21st place, with a score of 2,996. While the team improved 250 points over its last score in a national match, other teams improved at a greater ratio. The Florida boys were somewhat unfortunate this year in having three members of the team lose 20 shots on the skirmish run. This was caused by primers getting into the magazine of the rifle, with the result that the delicate mechanism became jammed, rendering the piece useless until the cause was removed.

C. B. or H. B. Gardner, a well appearing young man, is in jail at Tampa for giving worthless checks. W. C. Hamilton, of St. Petersburg being a victim.

Four fishing smacks arrived in Pensacola one day last week with an aggregate of 40,000 pounds of red snappers. So the fish have returned to that section after a month's absence.

In a mighty effort to win the rag in the Florida State League, the season of which closes the middle of next month, the Tampa baseball club has secured three of the best ball players in Cuba.

While cleaning house in St. Augustine, Wednesday of last week, Miss Constance Barling, one of the most highly respected young ladies of that city, was killed by the discharge of a revolver which she dropped.

Daytona being a well represented Union labor town there is a movement on foot to organize a co-operative store there and at a meeting soon to be held definite plans will be arranged and a manager agreed on.

Louis Roberts, a car repairer at the Port Tampa City yards, was killed last Friday while making some repairs on a freight car standing in the yard. He was under the car when an engineer backed another car against it, causing the car to roll over his body.

Rev. Edward Stanley, the preacher who received the package of books that leaked while serving as pastor of the Palatka Baptist church, is in North Carolina telling the brethren that he left Palatka because his church was destroyed by fire.—Tampa Tribune.

S. H. Gove, a well known architect and contractor of Daytona, has been awarded the contract for the new \$41,000 school building in that city and the work will begin at once, Mr. Gove resigning from the city council to give it his personal supervision.

With nearly ninety prisoners in the county jail at Tampa awaiting trial before the criminal court of record of Hillsborough county the capacity of the jail is heavily taxed. The county officials ought to be able to ride in autos after the next session of that court.

After having robbed the residence of Mr. Tracey Morrison, near Summerfield an unknown negro was shot and instantly killed by Mr. Nathan Mayo, near Belleview, Thursday evening of last week. Upon being discovered the negro attacked the posse in pursuit. The goods stolen were found on his person. Mayo was exonerated.

Mr. S. E. Cobb, who was appointed secretary to the Railroad Commissioners the first of January last to succeed R. C. Dunn, who at that time succeeded John L. Morgan as Railroad Commissioner, has tendered his resignation to the commission. The same was accepted and J. Will Yon, of Jackson county, now draws the salary.

A piece of clever strategy on the part of Mrs. W. W. Carter, a popular Daytona resident, landed a sneak thief in jail after he had purloined two silver dollars from a pocketbook, robbed the pantry of goodies and extracted a "cold bottle" from the refrigerator. That last act ought to be a hanging offense in dry Daytona during hot weather.

Past the sea buoy and about 50 miles from Tampa, the local wireless station at 4 o'clock on the afternoon of the 25th caught the steamer Colorado, of the Mallory Line, en route to New York via Key West, advised her of the approaching Gulf storm, and she immediately turned back inside the Tampa keys to safety and immediately advised the local station. The wireless is wonderful.

While walking with Mr. H. Finley Tucker, her affianced, Monday night of last week, Miss Ila Bond dropped a package of laundry she was carrying, and while the young man was stooping to pick up the package the young woman pulled a revolver and fired five shots at the man, one shot making a flesh wound over the left eye. The young people move in Palatka's best society and the affair is attributed to "brain storm."

With his skin full of gin and white asleep in the road Stroger Rice, a negro living on the outskirts of Jacksonville, was run over twice on the same night by crowded automobiles without being hurt, nor even waked up. The first auto returned with a physician and a policeman just after the second one had passed over the man. An examination revealing no broken bones the policeman aroused the man by striking

the soles of his feet with a club and then took him to the lock-up, where he was kept until sober. Whisky caused his downfall and then saved him.

Mr. E. H. Youngs, Jr., who has charge of the Lakeland Ice Works, was terribly scalded from above his knees down, last Wednesday, by falling into the condenser, a vat containing boiling water. He will be abed for some time.

E. L. Slaughter, a section foreman on the Tampa Northern railway, met a horrible death at Brooksville last Friday morning, just as he and his crew started out to work, by being run over and cut to pieces by an engine he attempted to make his car beat to a switch. All hands jumped at the last moment but the foreman landed in front of the moving section car. He was 50 years old and left a wife and five children.

The marriage of Dr. C. A. Graves, former mayor of Ostero, to Victoria Gratia, "pre-eminent" of the Koreshan colony there, occurred in Tampa last Friday. When the colony was founded several years ago this woman, who was then Mrs. Ordway, of Chicago, left her husband and joined it. Soon after Teed died, and after waiting in vain for his body to arise from the grave, according to the belief of the Koreshan cult, Dr. Graves and Mrs. Ordway left the flock and went to Tampa.

A flat car being pushed by an engine and containing the night shift of the Pierce Phosphate Company returning to Pebbledale at 3 a. m. from their labors, ran into a herd of cattle on the track, derailing the car and turning it over on the men with the result that one white man and three negroes were killed and others were wounded. Chas. L. Brown, the white man killed was from Gainesville, 21 years old and well connected. The negroes killed were James Wilson, Will Evans and Boykin Moore. D. A. Wiggins and C. J. Teston, white, and Martin Futeo, colored, were injured.

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